VISION
All individuals infected with hepatitis B virus are under appropriate care and treatment, and further transmission of hepatitis B virus is prevented.

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The mission of the SCCPHD Hepatitis B Prevention Program is to:

1. Prevent hepatitis B virus infection through timely vaccination
2. Prevent transmission of hepatitis B virus by identifying all individuals with acute and chronic hepatitis B
3. Prevent death and serious illness by identifying all individuals with chronic hepatitis B and assuring linkage to appropriate care and treatment

PRIORITIES/GOALS
1. Support existing Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program efforts to eliminate perinatal transmission of hepatitis B
2. Improve the quality and completeness of hepatitis B surveillance and health data and analyze it for evidence-based Public Health action and dissemination.
3. Increase community based organization (CBO) and health care provider implementation/uptake of screening practices based on USPSTF guidance.
4. Support systems that increase the proportion of individuals with chronic hepatitis B who are under appropriate and timely management; this may include the use primary care providers or infectious disease specialists if GI/hepatologist resources are limited.
5. Advocate for policies and actions that facilitate the achievement of these goals.

ACTIONS
1. Strengthen hospital and provider engagement with the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program through targeted education, outreach, and advocacy activities.
2. Perform quality assessment of chain of care for chronic hepatitis B at each major health center, including a baseline assessment and a needs assessment.
3. Partner with major health centers to pilot and/or implement automated hepatitis B screening alerts generated by electronic medical record systems.
4. Develop and maintain a webpage on the Santa Clara County Public Health Department website to provide updated information and resources for both providers and the general public.
5. Collaborate with provider and community partners to develop targeted education campaigns and coordinated goals synergistic with the county strategic plan.
6. Gather, analyze, and share available data to identify disease burden and understand the impact and trends of chronic hepatitis B related morbidity and mortality within the county.